

The Rural District Council of Wellington Salop.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for  
the year ended the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1898.

To the Wellington (Salop) Rural District Council.

Gentlemen.

I beg to submit my Annual Report for  
the year ended the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1898.

The Statistics in the form required by the  
Local Government Board have been carefully  
compiled and accompany this report.

I have also arranged the following Tables  
shewing the sickness and mortality among the  
population of the District for the past year.


The mortality of the District shews 194  
cases from all causes.

The total number of deaths which occurred  
in the three Sub-Registration Divisions of the  
District at all ages during the year is:-

Wellington	107.
Wombbridge for 3 months only	42
Orcaall Magna	<u>45</u>
	<u>194</u>

From the foregoing total of 194 deaths 40 should be  
deducted as occurring in the Wombbridge District  
in the first 3 months of the year when the  
Parishes of Wombbridge and Wrockwardine Wood  
were severed from the District, thus leaving  
154 which calculated upon the population of  
the present District 11185, shews the death rate  
to be 13, 76 per 1000.





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I have classified the various diseases which proved fatal during the year:-

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Scarletina. . . . .	-
Diphtheria. " " " "	2
Membranous Group. " " "	1
Enteric or Typhoid. " " "	1
Peurperal Fever. " " "	-
Erysipelas. " " "	-
Measles. . . . .	1
Whooping Cough. . . . .	1
Diarrhoea and Dysentery. . . . .	15
Rheumatic Fever. . . . .	2
Phthisis. . . . .	19
Bronchitis, Pneumonia & Pleurisy. . . . .	28
Heart-Disease. . . . .	26
Influenza. . . . .	2
Injuries. . . . .	8
All other diseases. . . . .	88
	<u>194.</u>

The following Table gives the number of cases under the "Infectious Disease (Notification) Act 1889, applicable to this district and the number of deaths arising therefrom:-

Persons	Scarletina	Diphtheria	Group	Typhoid	Peurperal	Erysipelas	Measles
Attacked	6	13	1	1	-	9	12
Persons Died	-	2	1	1	-	-	1

This Table shows the number in Wombbridge and Wrockwardine Wood:-

Persons	Scarletina	Diphtheria	Group	Typhoid	peurperal	Erysipelas	Measles
Attacked	-	3	-	1	-	1	-
Persons died	-	1	-	1	-	-	-

The Deaths from Zymotic Diseases per 1000 of the population of the present District is .0268 and the births per 1000 of the population 26.29







The foregoing Tables in consequence of the severance since the 31<sup>st</sup> March last of the parishes of Wombridge and Wrockwardine Wood from the District to form the Oakengates Urban District cannot well be available for comparison.

### Water Supply

I am sorry that I cannot yet report the adoption of a Scheme of Water Supply for those places mentioned in my annual report for 1896, but I hope however that this important matter will be pressed forward without delay either in conjunction with one or other of the neighbouring Authorities or independently by the Council.

### Sewerage and Drainage

The removal from the Haybridge and Cyton brooks of the Sewerage from the Urban District (complaints of which have so persistently appeared in my reports for so many years past) is now an accomplished fact. It only remains for the Council to arrange with the Urban Council for the discharge of the Sewerage from the Houses in this District. This should be done as soon as possible.

The total number of Houses inspected during the year in carrying out the House to House inspection and Sanitary Survey is 704.

The total Number of Notices served upon owners or occupiers to abate Nuisances principally discovered in the course of the House to House Inspection is 85

Of this number 50 complied.

The above Number of Notices are particularised as follows:-







- (1) New Drains to be constructed or old ones to be amended 2
- (2) New closets to be provided or old ones to be amended 72
- (3) Houses overcrowded 11

I am pleased to say that there has arisen no necessity to take Magisterial or other proceedings against any person in respect to offences against the public Bye Laws or Regulations made thereunder.

### General.

On a review of the proceedings of the Council during the year and a perusal of the Tabular Statements of sickness and mortality which accompany this report there is every reason to consider the District on the whole in a most satisfactory Sanitary condition.

I beg to remain,

Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

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Medical Officer of Health

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20<sup>th</sup> February 1899.



